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Kent E. Walker, Area Manager
BLM San Juan Resource Area
P.O. Box 7
Monticello, Utah 84535

Re: Additional Information, Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Calvyn Boyd Bradford, Joker Mine S/037/103 (UTU-74617), San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Walker:

The Division has reviewed the supplemental information for the Joker Mine notice forwarded by your office on February 27, 1998. The Division received this information on March 2, 1998. This supplemental information has satisfied all the information requirements as specified in the Division's February 11, 1998 letter. The notice is now considered complete by the Division and no additional information is required from the operator at this time.

The Division grants a variance from the requirement of stockpiling topsoil prior to mining (SMO item 10) for those areas previously disturbed which will be reimpacted by the currently proposed operations as described on Maps 1 and 2 prepared by the BLM. This variance will not apply to new areas which are disturbed as a result of expanding operations.

The Division grants a variance from the requirement of seedbed preparation (SMO item 12) by ripping, discing or harrowing for the waste rock piles. These waste rock piles will be regraded and have appropriate surface drainage structures created at the time of final reclamation.

The Division agrees with the reclamation treatments proposed for the mine site as described under section "II .Reclamation" of the BLM Compliance Inspection signed February 25, 1998.

Thank you and Ted McDougall for your assistance in processing this small mining notice. The Division will now proceed to close out file S/037/071 for Glen Shumway's Joker #1 Mine at this same location.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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cc: Calvyn Bradford, operator
File S/037/071

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